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of Unusual Merit

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Parker Pearl Honor Judith Eaton St. Martin

Etc.

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The Cassel Nursery

Mantua, Ohio



To Our Customers

We have on our trial grounds about two thousand varieties of strawberries. It requires an immense amount of work that could be more profitably employed at something else, but the "boss" likes to fool with strawberries; he has been at it for forty years, is getting old and we like to humor him, so we let him have his way about it.

If you visit us during the summer we will have a lot of new creations to show you. The "boss" says to invite you all, as he likes company, so we are extending to each of you a cordial invitation to visit us at any time.

The "boss" says to tell you that the fellow who is always talking low prices usually has but little else to tell you about.

We ship all strawberry plants by insured parcels post or express, all charges paid by us.

We are entirely sold out of Everbearing varieties for this season.



A remarkable variety that will fill your baskets with 6 inch berries from early to midseason and represents the greatest improvement in size and productiveness since the advent of the Sharpless nearly fifty years ago.

This variety introduced by us in 1921 was named in honor of the late Lucius Parker, a neighbor of ours, who had been developing it, and he finally induced us to try it out. We have been fruiting it for ten years, and in this time it has never failed to produce a full crop.

So great is the reputation of the Parker fruit in this locality that our entire crop each year has been sold at our grounds, and it has never been necessary to offer a quart of Parker in the markets of our surrounding towns.

The Parker plant is a vigorous grower, with dark green, glossy foliage and makes just the right number of runners for the matted row.

It will yield more quarts per acre than Warfield and average twice the size of Dunlap. There are no blanks; every plant produces fruit. The berries are very large—all of them holding their large size to the end of the season. The Parker is of the BUBACH type, but averages much larger, is twice as productive and has a bright crimson color.

Our offer made the past two years is repeated this year. We will give \$10 for ten plants of any variety that will produce, on our grounds, more quarts of fancy berries. So far in competitive trials Howard No. 17 has ranked next to Parker, with a score of 75 points in a possible 100.

Our supply of Parker plants is not large and all will be sold before the demand will be supplied. This same situation existed in 1921, and again in 1922 we were unable to fill all our orders for Parker plants. To avoid disappointment let us have your order as soon as possible.

The price at which we offer the Parker is the same as for the past two years, and so far as we know it is the only new variety that has not had a slump in price the first year after introduction.

(See photograph on next page.)



THE PARKER STRAWBERRY (Natural Size)

HONOR

Another new variety that originated with us and has proved to be the best of thousands of mid-season varieties on our trial grounds the past four years.

Honor was produced from seed of Warfield pollenized by Superb. Plant is very large, and a vigorous grower, making a wide matted row. Fruit begins ripening in midseason and continues until very late.

The berries are very large, bluntly conical, color dark crimson, with bright golden colored seeds, a combination of size and color that makes the Honor very showy in the basket. In productiveness it ranks with its parent, the Warfield.

Honor will be introduced Spring of 1924 at \$1.00 per plant. We will send out this spring, without restrictions, 1,000 plants at \$1.00 each to our customers who desire to try it out in advance of introduction. Positively no more than 1,000 plants will be sold this spring, so order early. You cannot make money more easily than by planting a few Honor this year.

HOWARD NO. 17

Claimed by many growers to be same as Premier. No matter under what name you buy, it is the best of the extra earlies, beginning to ripen about three days before Parker, and on our trial grounds the past three years is the nearest competitor of Parker as a money maker. Our original plants came from Mr. Chapman, the introducer. We are sold very close on this variety and advise early orders.

∠ WARFIELD

Well known everywhere as the "lazy man's" berry, as it will produce more quarts of berries under adverse conditions than any other variety. For canning there is no other variety its equal. Given good culture it will make the grower more money than many of the new varieties now being introduced. We procured our first plants from the originator, B. C. Warfield, Sandoval, Ill., 33 years ago and it has been our standard of productiveness ever since.

PEARL

Another year has demonstrated this to be the heaviest fruiting late variety—we have counted as many as 46 ripe berries on a single plant.

It begins ripening after the midseason varieties are gone and extends the strawberry season ten days to two weeks later than any variety we are fruiting.

Berries are very large, a few last year measuring over 8½ inches in circumference. The plant is large and vigorous with a heavy root system.

Pearl is largest, most productive very late variety we have fruited in our 40 years' experience.

· JUDITH

This is really a good variety in spite of the extravagant claims made for it by the introducer. Plant very large and vigorous and much resembles the old Sharpless.

The fruit is large to very large, flattened conical, very firm. Color dark crimson all over, no green tips. The quality is superior to any variety on our grounds. Briefly summed up Judith appears to be an improved Sharpless with all the faults of this old variety eliminated.

ST. MARTIN

An exhibition berry of the Marshall type.

The plant is a vigorous grower and produces a good crop of very large, high colored berries. Don't "plunge," but plant a few.

Demands good soil and high culture; this given you can get both pleasure and profit from the St. Martin.

EATON

One of the varieties entered on our trial grounds in a competitive trial with Parker. A midseason variety remarkable for its size, smooth, even, conical shape, quality, color and productiveness.

We consider it extremely valuable either for home use or market.

THE ETTER STRAWBERRIES

Mostly hybrids produced by Albert F. Etter of California. Valued chiefly for the unusual flavor of their fruit.

The Etter varieties are praised very highly by some growers who have plants to sell, but we would advise you to try them in a small way before planting largely of them. We are listing five of them which have done the best on our trial grounds.

TREBLA

Claimed by the originator as a "prodigy of productiveness," having produced at the rate of 25,000 quarts per acre.

RED CROSS

Very early, productive and of the finest quality as a table berry.

KALICENE

Produces medium sized berries, very solid, blood red to the center. The sprightly flavor reminds us of the wild fruit.

ETTERSBURG NO. 80

Plant very large and vigorous, fruit large and of a bright glossy red color.

- SHASTA

This looks better to us than any of the other Etter varieties. Plant very large and vigorous. Fruit very large, crimson with golden colored seeds.

The Etter varieties will be sold in sets, 25 plants of each variety, 125 in all, prepaid by parcels post for \$1.50.

PRICE LIST 50 at 100 rates, 500 at 1000 rates

	12	25	100	1000
Parker	1.00	1.50	5.00	50.00
Honor (\$1 each)	12.00	25.00		
Pearl	.25	.50	1.75	15.00
Howard No. 17	.20	.35	1.00	9.00
Judith	.25	.50	1.50	12.50
St. Martin	.20	.50	1.25	12.00
Warfield	.20	.35	1.00	7.00
Eaton	.20	.50	1.25	11.00
Red Cross	.20	.50	1.25	11.00
Kalicene	.20	.50	1.25	11.00
Trebla	.20	.50	1.25	11.00
Ettersburg No. 80	.20	.50	1.50	12.50
Shasta	.20	.50	1.50	12.50
Cooper	.50	1.00		

Registered Duroc-Jersey Hogs

So well and favorably known that it is unnecessary to enumerate their good qualities.

We can have just as much fun and more money raising Durocs than any other breed. All stock registered in purchaser's name.

We have stock for sale at following prices:

PRICES

Yearling gilts, bred for spring litter	\$50.00
Tried sows, bred for second litter	50.00
Yearling herd boars, good ones	50.00
Fall pigs, either sex, now ready	25.00
Fall pigs trio, 2 sows, 1 boar	55.00
Spring pigs, either sex, (May shipment)	15.00
Spring pigs, trio, 2 sows, 1 boar	40.00

Exhibition stock subject to correspondence. All hogs will be crated free and delivered to express office. Safe arrival and satisfaction guaranteed.

THE CASSEL NURSERY MANTUA, OHIO

